

Basic Structure of National Economy Needs Change

By Our Economic Correspondent

IN 1945 the Jewish population in the country was 170,000 people. Among them were 230,000 or 30 per cent farmers. In 1950 the number had risen to 3,645,000 persons (not taking into account 70,000 still in camps) with 420,000 or 48.3 per cent farmers. In 1951 the Jewish population amounted to 1,274,000 (not including 70,000 in camps and new immigrants) with 205,000 or 39.6 per cent farmers. There are reasons for excluding new immigrants and those in camps from the calculation because a certain time must pass before they can be expected to begin work. Nevertheless it should not be forgotten that a difference of 70,000 people in a population of a little more than a million and a quarter is not to be taken lightly as it would lower the percentage of farmers to 27.3 per cent. A percentage of 39.6 per cent could not be satisfactory either, especially as 1951 was a year of full employment.

The percentage of farmers among the population and its changes from year to year are one indication of economic trends. It shows what part of the population has to earn the livelihood of the nation. In Israel, of course, with its unique balance of payments and its equally unique influx of foreign currency, the position is different from that in countries which have to sustain themselves without aid from outside. If our aim is to lessen the dependence on outside help, this should be realized by raising the relative number of farmers. The figures mentioned above indicate that we have not succeeded in doing this.

High Wages Criticized

The picture looks even gloomier if we investigate the ways in which people earn their living, as has been done by Dr. Zaslavsky for the Department of Statistics. We learn from his research that agriculture employed 23.9 per cent and industry 33.8. This means that agriculture employs a percentage which is generally found only in countries which are strongly developed industrially, which Israel certainly is not. The number of people employed in agriculture and industry together — and these are the branches which produce our goods — represents only 37.5 per cent of our earners. The rest are...

OMER CO. SUE FOR IL.18,000

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITM). — A South African industrialist and his Tel Aviv partner are suing the Omer company, the economic organ of the Hahatruv Party, for IL.18,000 owing to them.

The plaintiffs, Mr. A. Stern, Tel Aviv contractor, and Mr. A. Kaplan, of Johannesburg, lent the Omer company 50 tons of iron bars in June 1951, and were due to have received a similar quantity of material repaid six weeks later. The company gave the two men a bank draft for IL.18,000.

When only 11 tons of iron bars were repaid, the draft was presented for payment, but was returned as there was insufficient cover. In May this year the Omer company agreed to pay IL.1,500 and Mr. Stern was given a draft for that amount. When he returned home he discovered the draft was marked payable in 1950 instead of 1952.

At the Cinema

"THE Day The Earth Stood Still" (Orion, Jem) is just another phantasmagoria in the fashionable series which started with "The Man from Planet X", "Rocket to the Moon" and "When Worlds Collide" and of which the latter was far the best. This time a mysterious kind of aeroplane comes down to earth; a pilot emerges who looks like a simple denizen of the world but is dressed like Flash Gordon. He speaks perfect English, which he learnt from earthly broadcasts. He is escorted by a metallic, dressed kind of Golem with superhuman capacities. The special envoy is chased and has to hide in a house. When he is killed he is reanimated by his robot. All he wants is to contact the United Nations and at the end in a kind of Ghost-to-Ghost message he solemnly states that if our little old planet doesn't stop using atomic power for destructive purposes the earth will be eliminated without further notice. The "thriller" stars Michael Rennie, Patricia Neal, and Hugo Marlowe.

Need for Currency Controls Disputed

REVIEW OF OPINION IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Both "Ha'aretz" (Independent) and "Hahaboker" (General Zionist) comment on an interview given by Mr. A. Gubria, Mapai M.K., to "Davar" in which he said that the Government has helped industry for four years and that time has now come when industry should call the help of the Government because it is in its own vital interest. "Ha'aretz" says that the demand is justified, not only of course with regard to industry, and that Mr. Gubria's criticism of the opposition attitude taken by some industrialists might be right too.

However, the paper disputes another point made by Mr. Gubria: that it is "necessary to abolish control on hard currency in order to attract investments from abroad." The paper doubts, moreover, whether the necessary permits and documents he granted to investors abroad is realistic, and whether the bureaucracy apparatus will put up with this. The paper also disputes the "collective responsibility" of industry about which Mr. Gubria spoke and says that there is no institution similar to the British "industrial community." The paper agrees with the proposal to give industrialists the surplus value of exports for buying raw materials and the grant of Government credits to various firms, but it regrets that Mr. Gubria did not go to the logical end by favouring abolition of hard currency control.

Obvious Conclusion

"Hahaboker" says that the collective sector of industry is more rapidly rising than private industry. The paper criticizes the high wages paid by industry which make it impossible to compete in the world market. Under these conditions, the paper says, the Government should admit its failure and consider a new approach in a "purely economic atmosphere" together with representatives of private industry.

"Davar" (Hahatruv) and "Hahaboker" (Hapoel Hamizrachi) comment on the elections of the State Employees' Association in Hahatruv. The Hahatruv paper says that this association includes many pioneers of Jewish work (railway, post, port workers), and that they have a claim to be encouraged and helped by the Hahatruv in the building of their organization. It says that the association working conditions, professional training, etc.

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World Youth Assembly

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The Assembly, founded in Brussels in 1949, aims at establishing a world-wide confederation of youth working for peace through international gatherings and free movement across national frontiers. Countries sending delegates include the U.S., Britain, Canada, France, Belgium, Italy, the Lebanon and several territories of the French Union.

Tennis Stars Leave For Turkey

Three top Israeli tennis players, including one woman, are due to leave today for Ankara, to take part in an international tournament there between August 5-12. They are Mrs. Mista-Cohen, Arieh Weiss and Yehuda Finkelsht.

The tournament will include Yugoslav as well as Turkish star players. There is also a possibility that the Israeli trio will later go on to Greece to participate there in an international tournament.

Hapoel Swimming Tournament

About 100 competitors from Hapoel and Maccabi took part in a swimming tournament at Holon on Saturday. The main results were of medium standard with the exception of Givat Haim Hapoel's young Reuven Schotter, who returned the good time of 1 min. 12.3 seconds to win the 100 metres crawl, compared with the 1:13.4 set by Yehuda Elbaum, one of Israel's veteran swimmers, in the men's event.

Montgomery to Visit Greece This Month

ATHENS, Monday (Reuters). — Acting Premier Sophocles Venizelos announced on Friday that Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery will pay a second visit to Athens on August 12.

The NATO Deputy Supreme Commander visited Athens in May this year. No reason was given today for the further visit.

TRAINING COURSE

Maccabi is launching a course for trainers of young Maccabi at Givat Michael to start on Wednesday this week. This forms part of the preparations of Israel Maccabi for the Fourth Maccabiah to be held in Israel next year.

World Bank Income

WASHINGTON, (UPI). — The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development had a net income of \$15,872,833 for the fiscal year which ended on June 30.

In a report released today, the World Bank said the year's net income represented a gain of about \$700,000 over the previous fiscal year's net income. Gross income, exclusive of loan commissions, was \$35,188,744 compared with \$22,202,542 for the fiscal year which ended on June 30, 1951.

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TOUGH FIGHT FOR GOLDSTEIN CUP

There was some exciting basketball in the fight for the Goldstein Memorial Cup held in a full-day competition in Haifa last week. Rehovot Maccabi Yehuda came out winners by defeating Haifa Maccabi, 24-13 in the final.

B.M.A.'s "B" set-up showed its fighting spirit in the 5-4 final, coming from behind on two occasions to win. Against Tel Aviv Maccabi, the "B" team were trailing 12-22 at halftime but fought back to win narrowly, 35-34, by the close. Again in a later match, Maccabi were leading 30-25 at the interval but the Tel Aviv "B-ers" took over in the second half to win by 21-14.

Their clubmates B.M.A. "A" accomplished the same feat when they were being led 21-17 by Tel Aviv North "A" at the change-over, but went ahead afterwards to win 32-22. North's "B" set-up and Hahatruv stood at 12-22 at halftime but the latter pulled ahead to gain a one-point 22-21 victory at the close.

Complete preliminary results (Hapoel at Haifa): Rehovot Maccabi "A" 35-34 Tel Aviv North "A"; Rehovot Maccabi "B" 32-22 Tel Aviv North "B"; Rehovot Maccabi "A" 32-22 Tel Aviv North "B"; Rehovot Maccabi "B" 24-13 Haifa Maccabi.

London Meeting On Fourth Maccabiah

A meeting of the heads of Maccabi committees from all over the world is to take place in London on Wednesday, in connection with preparations for the Fourth Maccabiah, to be held in Israel next year.

Subjects to be discussed include: transport of delegations, provision for tourists expected to accompany the teams, and the setting up of the Maccabiah Village. World Maccabi Union representatives at the meeting will be Mr. A. Natanson, Chairman of the W.M.U., Dr. R. Alfanz, Sports Director W.M.U., and Mr. Norman Laurie, a member of the Executive Committee.

The Israel soccer programme is due to commence in a few weeks. Players and teams are commencing their training for the coming season, when an intensified struggle for the honours is expected, following the success of a number of young League "A" and League "B" teams last season.

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FOREIGN AID MAY BECOME U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ISSUE NATO Forces Behind Schedule

WASHINGTON, Monday (AP).

AN apparent collapse of

plans to raise 50 West

European divisions this year

may inject foreign aid more

deeply into the US Presidential

campaign. NATO nations

decided at Lisbon last Feb-

ruary to build a force of 25

active and 25 reserve divisions

by the end of 1952. The goal,

then considered barely pos-

sible, appeared doomed last

week when Britain slowed

down her defence effort and

France announced fresh eco-

nomie difficulties. Budget cut-

ting by the US Congress has

already been blamed in some

quarters.

An administration spokes-

man told Congress five months

ago that the goal would be

difficult to reach under the

best circumstances and im-

possible without maximum

American assistance. Congress

subsequently cut President

Truman's \$500m. foreign aid

programme for next year by

25 per cent. This same per-

centage was lopped off mili-

tary assistance to Europe.

Economic funds — describ-

ed as essential for NATO's

build-up — were cut nearly 30

per cent. Budget-cutters in

Congress said the US could

not afford so much for foreign

aid, that hold-over funds were

ample and that European na-

tions were not doing enough

for themselves.

Campaign issues

The European reaction

makes these reductions an

active campaign issue, al-

though both General Eisen-

hower and Governor Steven-

son have indicated that they

see foreign policy in much

the same way. The foreign

aid reductions in Congress

engineered largely by a bloc

of Republicans and Southern

Democrats, totalled nearly

\$1,000m. more than General

Eisenhower said was advis-

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NATO MANOEUVRES ON RUSSIAN FRONTIER. Generalissimo of the Republic of China, Chiang Kai-shek, is seen with other officials of the Republic of China, including the Chinese Ambassador to the United States, Chen Biao, and the Chinese Minister to the United States, Chen Biao.

Premier Churchill announced last week that Britain would have to add at least one year to her ambitious re-armament programme. France more specifically pointed to the American Congress in protesting against the curtailment of funds for overseas procure-

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working and built a hand-

some flight of stone steps.

From scraps he nailed to-

gether a potter's wheel, ac-

cording to the neighbourhood

different types of clay,

and set up his workshop in

a derelict Arab shed. "I didn't

try any ambitious stuff," con-

trasted on gift vases for

all my Sassa friends, and train-

ed a chap to take over when

I left. Nevertheless, Mike's

tubular wine-jars and unglaz-

ed terra-cotta make our art-

crafty 'Israel' ceramics look

as though they'd been cast

in porridge, by a man with

two left hands.

"It's true, a kibbutz has

everything you want, except

insecurity," a reminder that

Mike had two more years' ex-

perience, of course, made a fun

about his exit-visa; but Sasa

compensated by paying his

air-ticket to Kenya. "I know

a mountain there," ex-

plained Mike, stowing some

like to see the native pottery.

"He was sorry he hadn't man-

aged to do more for Sasa

"You can do one little thing,"

they said, — "stay another

week!"

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TEL AVIV ART NOTES

ANNA HOROWITZ PEVZNER

whose work I do not re-

call seeing before — is showing

watercolours and drawings at

the Kats Gallery. She is a

good draughtsman with a

vivacious line, and her ba-

zarr scenes with their group

of active figures convey a